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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: Roland Lippoldt  
SERIAL NO.: 09/814,229  
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FOR: Locking Device for a Closure with a Housing  
EXAMINER: Dinesh Melwani Group: 3677

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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**AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action dated July 11, 2002 (a request for a three-month extension of time being enclosed), in which the Examiner raised objections to the specification, drawings, and claims and rejected Claims 3 and 8 for allegedly being indefinite, and rejected the claims as being unpatentable over the prior art.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**In the Specification:**

Page 1, beneath the title, insert headings as follows:

-- Background of the Invention

1. Field of the Invention - -;